
FEBRUARY 24, 1827.

Read twice, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow.

A BILL

To authorize the licensing of ships and vessels, to be employed in the mackerel fishery.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That,*
3 from and after the thirtieth day of April next, it shall be the
4 duty of the Collector of the District to which any ship or
5 vessel may belong, on an application for that purpose, by the
6 master or owner thereof, to grant a license for carrying on
7 the mackerel fishery, to such ship or vessel, in the form pre-
8 scribed in the act, entitled "An act for enrolling and licensing
9 ships or vessels, to be employed in the coasting trade and
10 fisheries, and for regulating the same :"
11 *Provided, That all*
12 the provisions of said act, respecting the licensing of ships
13 and vessels, for the coasting trade and fisheries, shall be
14 deemed and taken to be applicable to licenses, and to vessels
 licensed for carrying on the mackerel fishery.